

**HOUSE REPUBLICAN HIGH-TECH WORKING GROUP**  
**PROGRESS REPORT – 108<sup>th</sup> Congress**  
*Congressman Bob Goodlatte, Chairman*

**OUR AGENDA FOR THE 108<sup>th</sup> ...**

**Promoting our Economic Growth**

- **Ensuring Employee Stock Ownership Remains Viable** – We will vigilantly promote and protect the stock ownership and retirement security of high-tech's rank and file employees.
- **Secure Our Investment and Human Capital** – We will continue to fundamentally reform our tax laws so that more jobs and investment remain and return to the US economy.

**Improving our Quality of Life**

- **Internet Taxation** – Passed a moratorium on taxing access to the Internet.
- **Class Action Fairness** – Passed legislation to rein in frivolous "Class Action" lawsuits that threaten the high-tech community.
- **Spectrum Enhancement** – Passed legislation to create incentives for clearing valuable spectrum so that more innovation in telecommunications can occur.
- **Reduce Spam** - We will work to reduce or eliminate excessive unsolicited e-mail that is clogging the Internet.
- **Nanotechnology Research** – Authorized an increase in the basic research and development of nanotechnology.
- **Broadband Deployment** - We will continue to promote the acceleration of the deployment of broadband networks to all Americans.
- **Protect Intellectual Property from Digital Piracy** - We will make sure that we promote and enforce strong copyright and patent protection laws to prevent and combat the growing trend of digital piracy.

**Protecting the Security of our Country**

- **Prevention of Identity Theft** – Passed legislation to provide all consumers with the tools they need to protect their credit and fight identity theft.
- **Collaborate with the Executive Branch and Various Departments to Protect Our Homeland** – We will help facilitate a seamless transition and transformation of our governmental entities that will foster information sharing and compatibility.
- **Develop More Secure Information Networks** – We will promote initiatives that help to better detect and respond to security threats.

**OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS...**

<b><u>House Legislation Passed:</u></b>	<b><u>Senate Passed:</u></b>	<b><u>Conference:</u></b>
Economic Stimulus Package	Passed in Senate	Enacted
Anti-Spam legislation	Passed in Senate	Enacted
Trade Agreements	Passed in Senate	Enacted
Internet Tax Moratorium	Passed in Senate	Enacted
CREATE Act	Passed in Senate	Enacted
International Tax Bill	Passed in Senate	Enacted
Class Action Reform	Stalled in Senate	-
Patent Reform	Stalled in Senate	-
Stock Options Reform	Stalled in Senate	-

**The House has successfully passed high-tech's  
most important priorities for the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress!**